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INDUCTION FIXING APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMING
APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on July 16, 2004 and April 29, 2004, Applicants hereby submits a copy of an International Search Report of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/000853.

Applicants note that the printed mailing date of the International Search Report is September 1, 2003. However, the International Application also indicates that the actual completion of the international Search is August 13, 2004, thus Applicants believe that the correct mailing date of the International Search Report is September 1, 2004.

The International Search Report, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application, cited the following documents:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,467,165;
- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-208469, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-236429, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-191483, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-237377, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the Examiner applying the appropriate rules to the claims are set forth in the International Search Report, a copy of which is attached hereto.

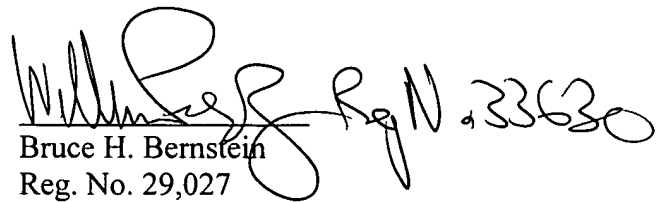
Applicants note that documents (1)-(3) were previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on April 29, 2004, and thus copies of these documents are not attached hereto.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of documents (4) and (5) are attached hereto and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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